The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners Board Meeting Minutes May 11th,2022

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on May 11th, 2022 at the Montgomery office. Board Chair, Kai Mumpfield, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

There was a quorum of members present including:
District I representative Ukawia Johnson
District II representative Kai Mumpfield, Chair
District III representative Jamie Nicole DeLee, Secretary
District IV representative
District V representative Dr. Shalunda Sherrod
District VI representative Wendy Peek
District VII representative Dr. Bob McKinney

Executive Director Rachel Dickinson and board attorney Ellen Leonard was also present for the meeting. Unless otherwise specified, all votes were taken by verbal yes or no. Proper notice for the meeting was provided to the Secretary of State and posted on the Secretary of State website.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the March 2nd, 2022, were distributed. Dr. Sherrod made a motion to approve the minutes and Kai Mumpfield seconded the motion, and all voted to pass the minutes with the accepted amendments.

Old Board Business

- a. Jamie DeLee made a motion to accept approval of new licenses issued since the last Board meeting. Kai Mumpfield seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. We had a total of 128 new licenses.
- b. Update on Complaint status we currently have (5) open complaints, and we are waiting on social workers responses and then they will be distributed to board members for review.

Board Requests

- a. Speaker Requests
 - 1. NASW virtual 6/17 45 minutes Kai Mumpfield, Wendy Peek, and Rachel Dickinson agreed to speak the licensure updates.
 - 2. Medical Advocacy and outreach 6/9/22 1 hour to speak on Ethical trends in Social Work. Dr. Shalunda Sherrod agreed to speak.

Questions concerning accepting honorarium came up. It was discussed and if the state is not reimbursing it can be accepted. If we have questions, we can reach out to Cynthia Ralston one of the state ethical lawyers.

New Board Business

- a. Rachel Dickinson presented the financial report. We have more in our budget than expected and no concerns in this area. We are getting an app, a new logo to be approved in the future and the data base has been completed.
 - b. the bill to allow social workers to diagnosis will go back up when the next legislation session opens. There was not a problem with the bill it was just not dropped before legislation closed.
 - c. informal settlement
 - 1. Ukawia Johnson made a motion to accept the settlement, Wendy Peek seconded the motion, and all approved with Dr. Bob McKinney abstaining from the vote.
 - d. Location for June 14th symposium has been set at the Gordon Pearson Building. Program will be 9am -1pm agenda, sponsors have confirmed, associations will confirm attendance, and CEU's will be provided – if this is not all pulled together the next proposed date is September 20th or 22nd
 - e. Review from New Board Member's Training- complied list of all that was taught has been distributed and discussed among the board.
 - f. Supervisor Training program
 - 1. Will we allow supervisors with training outside of our state to provide supervision w/out our training? Board discussed and answered with yes with verification that it was a training provided by an ASWB list. They currently have 34 stated that are approved providing states. This is where we have taken our supervision guidance from.
 - 2. If an LMSW changes from non-clinical to clinical, will they have to restart their supervision? 6 months of the supervision can be counted towards going to clinician.
 - 3. Now that training is offered what timeframe are we allowing them to get the required training? 1 year from May 1, 2022.
 - 4. If a supervisor does not take the training within that timeframe but has a contract, are we going to allow the licensee to use that supervision? Yes, we would allow them to count the one year of supervision.
 - 5. How will we recognize the licensees as a supervisor? Add an "-S" to the end of the current license number.
 - 6. Will LMSW's that have received a license before training starts (after May 1) have to declare non-clinical at some point or are they grandfathered in? They will be grandfathered in.
 - 7. Can we add supervision hours to the CEU's earned in training? Yes, we will accept the training as CEU's.
 - 8. Once they are registered with the Board it is good for 2 years. Will they need to take the training again every 2 years? No. But they will need 3 Supervision CEU's.
 - 9. Can a retired SW still provide supervision? Yes.
 - 10. Will we allow supervisors with training outside of our state to provide supervision w/out our training? No. They must have taken a Board approved supervisor program in another State.
 - 11. VA Clinical Supervision program: We agreed to accept the VA supervision program.

PIP Applications

a. Adrienne Word – Approved Social Casework

Jamie DeLee made a motion to approve them and was seconded by Kai Mumpfield. All passed with a yes vote.

The date for the next Board meeting will be July 20th, 2022, at 10 AM. Jamie DeLee moved to adjourn at 11:15am. Wendy Peek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Kai Mumpfield

Board Vice Chair

Jamie Nicole DeLee

Secretary